

NO CHANGE UNTIL FALL

Shipping Will Continue Dull Until Beginning of New Wheat Year.

WHY SHIPPING IS SO QUIET

Grain Crop is Short and Huge Quantity Has Been Sent Quite Recently to San Francisco.

One of the best posted wheat shippers of Portland, who was in the city a few days ago, expressed the opinion while here that there would be little improvement in shipping conditions until August 1, the beginning of the new grain year. He added that conditions likely to exist after August 1 were problematical, and that shipping business would depend entirely upon crop conditions.

The past six months have been very quiet in shipping circles. Few vessels have come to the Columbia for cargoes, or, for that matter, to any of the coast ports. The decrease in engaged tonnage is due entirely to the short wheat crop in the northwest, to the fact that much of the wheat has been converted into flour and shipped out either by rail or on the large trans-Pacific liners, and to the further fact that no inconsiderable portion of the northwestern wheat output has gone to San Francisco, where the disengaged tonnage recently exceeded 100,000, and where there has been little improvement during the past 30 days, although an occasional vessel is chartered or sent to some other coast port.

While figures are not available, it is estimated that between 40,000 and 50,000 tons of wheat and barley have been sent from Portland to San Francisco since September 1. Several coasters have been almost regularly engaged in carrying grain south, with the result that there has been little to ship from the northwest. While it is possible this estimate is high, the fact remains that the grain sent below would have required the presence here of no small fleet of foreign carriers.

The Oregonian is out with an optimistic statement to the effect that 16 vessels are en route here with 45,000 tons of cargo. However, the Portland paper is stretching matters for the purpose of making a showing. The 16 vessels have been engaged to bring cargoes here, but it will be a long time before they show up off the Heads. Indeed, many of them will not be here before the fall, and there is nothing in the present outlook that could be construed as hopeful. The information contained in the Oregonian's article is, however, interesting, and is herewith reproduced:

"The list of cargo ships bound for this port is constantly growing. Sixteen vessels are now on the board en route to Portland with general freight from European exporting centers, and their cargoes aggregate nearly 45,000 tons. The latest addition to the fleet is the British ship Hampton, 1579 tons, Captain Macdonald, which will load at Antwerp for this city in the Grace line of ships, represented here by Taylor, Young & Co. In addition to the Hampton seven other vessels are loading, or have loaded, at Antwerp for this port, and some of those now on the way are about due here. The other vessels in the Antwerp fleet are the Thistlebank, Armen, Beacon Rock, Clan Mackenzie, Emille, Invermay and Laennec.

"Three cargo vessels are coming here from Hamburg, the Carnarvon Bay, Holt Hill and Marechal de Noailles. The Francesco Giuseppe and the Nomia are en route from Newcastle, England; the La Bruyere and Rajore from Shields, and El Frieda from Rotterdam. Of the above list the Francesco Giuseppe, Thistlebank and La Bruyere will stop first at Port Los

Angeles and discharge part of their cargoes there.

"Four of the cargo vessels are nearly due here and will probably show up early in the coming month. Those thought to be nearest at hand are the Armen, Emille, Invermay and La Bruyere.

"Besides this fleet, only two other sailing vessels are on the en route list, and both will come from San Francisco. They are the Magdalene and Verctingtorix. Both these vessels are under charter to load wheat here for Europe. The Magdalene is now on the way north and the other vessel will sail in a few days."

E. W. Wright in the City.

Edward W. Wright, commercial editor of the Oregonian and former chairman of the Oregon sailor boarding house commission, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Wright came down for the purpose of visiting the bar dredge Chinook and witnessing her operation at the mouth of the river. He went down to the lower harbor, but the dredge did not work on the bar yesterday and Mr. Wright was disappointed in consequence.

"How about the status of the sailor boarding house commission?" asked an Astorian man as he met Mr. Wright on Commercial street yesterday afternoon.

"Oh, don't talk sailor boarding house commission to me," said Mr. Wright. "I'm out of it. When I resigned I meant to keep out of the mess for good. I couldn't say just how the other members are getting along, but I am informed they are having some trouble in getting together."

Mr. Wright secured the material for a story for his paper, even if the Chinook did not work, and returned home last night.

Two Foreign Ships Depart.

Two carriers, the British four-masted bark Andorhina and the French bark Ancalos, departed yesterday, the former with the largest wheat cargo ever shipped out of the Columbia river on a sailing vessel. She takes 182,461 bushels of wheat, valued at \$143,318, and goes to Queenstown or Falmouth for orders. The Ancalos is bound for Durban, South Africa, and takes 32,022.5 barrels of flour, worth \$115,281, and 1000 cases of fruit, worth \$2250. The British ship East African shifted down to the lower harbor. She has on board 103,969 bushels of wheat, valued at \$77,977, and is bound for the United Kingdom.

Marine Notes.

The steamship Oregon is due today from San Francisco.

The pilot schooner Pultzter came inside yesterday for supplies.

Inspectors Edwards and Fuller will be in the city today to inspect the Vogsburg.

The four-masted schooner Forester is due to arrive down the river today with a cargo of lumber.

The steamer Charles Nelson, which was recently wrecked off Cape Blanco, is due Sunday from San Francisco.

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